

Trinity life

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For the Journey ...

"They will proclaim His righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn, He has done it!" Psalm 22:31

We are reminded, especially at Easter time, that Jesus came to complete that for which He was sent. Much of the Old Testament tells us of God's provision and care for His people. As we look back through the Scriptures, we see how it tells of Jesus' coming and His provision for us. When we declare Jesus as our LORD we line up with God's purpose for our very existence. The world has tried since creation to fill what can only be occupied by Christ. We fail ourselves and those around us when we attempt to find another way other than God's way.

I am reminded of Jesus' words to His disciples in John 14:6, *"I am the way and the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father except through Me."* Many have tried to tear apart the exclusivity of Christianity making their own claim that there must be another way. Jesus clearly says differently, but the promise of the previous verse is that God has made the way for us to get to Him. Yes, no one comes to the Father except through Jesus, but praise God, the way has been provided by God.

In an article appearing in the New York Times this month, *Americans Haven't Found a Satisfying Alternative to Religion*, the author describes the benefits of religion. It is described as the "three B's." Belief, belonging and behaviors seem to provide stability which is necessary to be happier, healthier, and

more fulfilled. I would add, religious people may experience these but they are not understood in religion but in relationship. It is in a faith relationship with Jesus that we move behind happiness, health, and fulfillment to joy, empowerment and purpose.

I am grateful that our message at Trinity is not about picking up some added health benefit or daily habits, but to dig deeper into a relationship with Jesus who makes the difference in our lives. That is the story of Resurrection. That is the story of transformation.

Thanks to all who helped us celebrate the Resurrection of our LORD so well on Resurrection Sunday. It has been an eventful month as we prepared and shared the Victor as a church to our community. It is encouraging to see people moving toward steps of obedience through baptism and stewardship. We anticipate from week to week the faithful investment of kingdom ministry through our Faith Family.

From the cross Jesus declared, "Tetelestai." It is finished. But Jesus was not done. Jesus is still at work in us, for us, and through us. Jesus will make a difference not only in our lives but in the lives of all around us, wherever we are and wherever we are going. This is not a transaction of religion, but a transformation of relationship. See you on the journey.



Pastor John



Our Newest Members!



Thank You!!

**Thank you to everyone
who participated in,
attended, and prayed
for The Victor.**

Join us for an evening of worship!

SOUTH TEXAS
SINGING MEN
OF TEXAS

Here at TBC on Thursday, May 15th at 7:00 pm!



Missions for Life by Dianne Clemons

Growing up in the small town of Union, Mississippi, I began learning about missionaries as a preschool child in Sunbeams at First Baptist Church. We learned about the geography, customs, and needs of missionaries all over the world, including the USA.

We learned about missionaries like Mildred McWhorter, who developed a great missions ministry in downtown Houston from 1963-1992, and was a mega heroine in Girls Auxiliary. We often collected clothes, food, and supplies to send to the mission centers and some churches sent teams to her centers to help with Vacation Bible School, food distribution, and family emergencies.

Another way our church supported missions in the United States was to encourage everyone in our church to give thirty pieces of silver to the Easter offering.

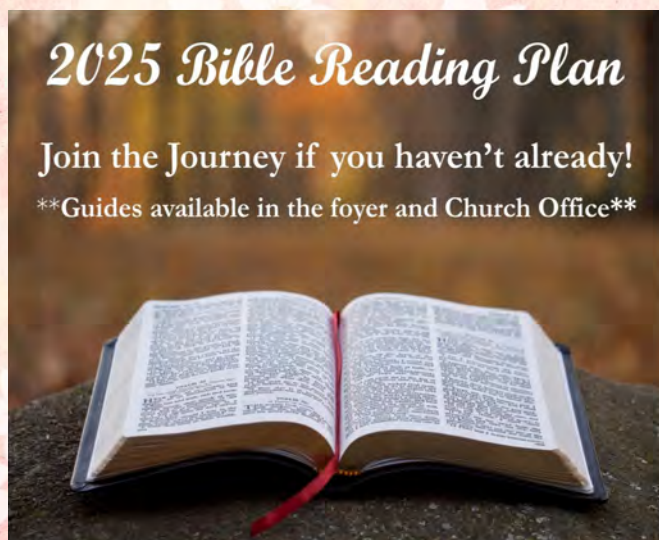
Yes, in the old days, dimes, quarters, half dollars and dollars were made of silver. We had offering cards we could slide our coins in and we would start saving up our money after Christmas. We, young and old, would line up at the foot of the cross and lay our cards there to thank Jesus for His love and help to share His love with others.

During my husband Mark's pastorate, we started Girls Auxiliary and Royal Ambassadors in every church we served so that children could learn about other people and their need to know Jesus as their Savior. These children are now adults and many are carrying the torch that we passed on to them.

God has given us many opportunities to share His love through such things as construction, well digging, sharing clean water kits, teaching sewing, and working with men and boys in camps to know Jesus and to share Him with others.

I am so thankful for church members at Trinity Baptist who give their time to share God's love with children and encourage them how to share this love with others they may or may not know. I am thankful for our disaster relief groups who go wherever they are needed to show God's love. I am thankful for individuals who share their time and resources to help missionaries in many different ways.

We are never too young or old to get on board the Mission's train and join the Lord in His work.



Student Ministry by Wes Henson

This May is setting up to be a first for me. For the last 20+ years I have celebrated graduating Seniors. Over the years I have honored and acknowledged some graduates I knew extremely well, and some I knew only marginally.

A few years ago, I had a shift in mindset and started to truly find ways to celebrate and honor the families. I wanted what we do as a church to be a blessing for them and, unfortunately, I hadn't always taken that mindset.

This year, for the first time in my life, I'm celebrating a group of graduates that includes one who lives in my own house.

We have a great group of kids we are going to recognize and celebrate on May 18th, and I hope you'll join us! We have 17 graduates on our list this year. Some have been with us for the long haul, and some are relatively new faces. But all of them are deeply loved and I'm excited to get to recognize them.

Will you join me in praying for these kids and their families this month? I'm going to be praying for the following things:

1. Pray for the celebrations and finishing of a chapter – to celebrate well, and to finish well.
2. Pray for decisions about next steps. Not every student knows for sure what comes next, and that's okay.
3. Pray for families. Pray parents, siblings, and extended family can make the most of the time they have.
4. Pray for rest. A senior year can be hectic, over-scheduled, and tiring.
5. Pray for a continued commitment to Christ. Above all else, pray our seniors stay committed and on track with their faith in the years to come.

**GRADUATE
RECOGNITION**
SUNDAY, MAY 18TH

JOIN WITH US AS WE
RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE
OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
IN ALL THREE SERVICES



TRINITY
Student Ministry

TSM Wednesday @ 6pm
**SPRING FINALE
& YOUTH WORKER
APPRECIATION NIGHT**
WEDNESDAY
MAY 21ST

TAKE OUT OR DINE IN
SUNDAY, MAY 4
11AM - 1PM
**POTATO LUNCH
& OFFERING**
PROCEEDS TO HELP OFFSET
COST FOR YOUTH CAMP



TSM
Wednesdays

STARTING MAY 28
HANG OUT @ 5:30PM
BIBLE STUDY @ 6PM
GYM RATS AFTER



HORIZON YOUTH CAMP
JULY 7-11

COMPLETED 6TH-12TH GRADE
Sign Up @ tbck.org/students
Regular Reg: 3/4-6/30

\$300
\$50 deposit



"Stitchers for Jesus" News!

Recently 55 adult bibs were sent to Juniper Village here in Kerrville. Becky Watkins and Kitty Zietz coordinated this outreach project. Kitty is a resident at Juniper and is a church member at Trinity. She saw a need and reached out to the "Stitchers" for help. The bibs were a big hit and much needed!



SAVE THE DATE
KIDS CAMP

PLEASE SUBMIT
 PAYMENT TO THE
 CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
 IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

MINI KIDS COMPLETED GRADES 1ST-3RD JUNE 30-JULY 1 \$25 DEPOSIT SAVES YOUR SPOT TOTAL PRICE \$100	PRE-TEEN KIDS COMPLETED GRADES 3RD-5TH JULY 21-24 \$25 DEPOSIT SAVES YOUR SPOT TOTAL PRICE \$225
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VBS JUNE 9-12
**ONLINE REGISTRATION
 BEGINS MAY 1ST**
FAMILY LEADERS NEEDED

TRUE NORTH
 Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

**NOW REGISTERING
 FOR
 CHILDREN'S DAY OUT
 2025-2026**

CONTACT BETH ANN BROWN

Children's Day OUT

**Hiring Teachers
 For
 2025-2026**

**Contact
 Beth Ann Brown**

a part
 of
 Trinity
 CDO

Disciple Kids

**TRINITY
 Kids Ministry**

**Wednesdays
 6-7pm**

Disciple/Mission/Service

Disciple Kids
 3rd-5th Grade Rm 104

Disciple Kids Jr.
 K - 2nd Grade Rm 151

Childcare
 3's & younger Rm 159

Children's Ministry by Kellee Parish

We are gearing up for a wonderful summer of ministry which includes VBS, Kids Camp, Mini Kids Camp and more. We will open registration for VBS on May 1st and kids can still sign up for our camps.

We have opportunities for adults to serve in various capacities. We are needing two adults to help support our teachers in our classrooms as well as needs for substitute teachers. If you'd like to join us in ministry, please feel free to contact me at kparish@tbck.org.

On a personal note, a huge thank you for all the cards, notes, hugs and words of encouragement over the last few months after losing my Mom. I'm so grateful to have a church family that is so supportive.

Thank you! Kellee



**Easter
 Story
 Escape
 Room**





DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION TRIP JUNE 20-27, 2025		PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TBC MISSION TEAM
JeAnne Carpenter Mary Estrada Aidan Hawkins Cameron Hinson Christian Hinson Cynthia Hinson Paul Hinson Donna Hinton Loretta Keese		Jennifer Rief JD Templeton Carol Westfall Larry Westfall John Wheat Andrea Woodruff Bennett Woodruff Cadence Woodruff Josh Woodruff


CHAIR WORKOUTS



Tuesdays & Thursdays
9-10 AM, Room 221
EVERYONE WELCOME

***No equipment or prior experience needed**
***Have fun and get healthier using DVD instruction**

Questions? Dawna at (830)890-2138



NAVIGATE

...continue to live in him - Col. 2:6

SUNDAY NIGHTS, 7 PM
IN THE GATHERING/CAFÉ
POST HIGH SCHOOL - 30ISH

Stronger Together by Shelby Peschel

Recently I started wearing a weighted vest while walking – health professionals claim this will increase muscle strength and bone density; my kids claim I look embarrassing. As an avid walker, I figured that I was in decent shape, but putting on that weighted vest sure made me realize otherwise. I needed to get stronger.

The same can be true in our spiritual lives – we think we are doing a decent job, but not until stress is added do we realize our need to be stronger. So, how do we get spiritually stronger? One way is daily study of God's Word, in particular with the ladies of Trinity's Women's Bible Study (WBS). With each Bible study, we add weight to our faith and our knowledge of God through studying the Scriptures together.

This past Fall through studying *Elijah*, we did some heavy lifting and looked in detail at Elijah's example of "when faith catches fire." Next, by focusing on *Gratitude*, we got stronger together by studying Biblical examples of those who expressed thankfulness to God in all things. By dissecting *Psalms* 23 word by word this past Winter, we added the significant weight of knowing Jesus is our Good Shepherd and resting in God's promises. And most recently through studying the book of *Esther* together, even more weight was added as we considered one woman's strength and God's plan for provision.

So, if you are a lady looking to add some weight to your faith, commit to join us as WBS kicks off again in the Fall. We meet on Wednesday mornings or Thursday evenings. Our next year of studies include *James* by Joy of Living and *Amos: An Invitation to the Good Life* by Jennifer Rothschild. Watch the church announcements for registration info. There is a place for you, and you are invited.

"Lord, Your Word is forever;
Your faithfulness is for all
generations; I will never forget
Your precepts, for You have
given me life through them."
Psalms 119: 89-93





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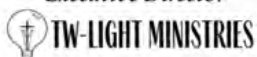
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A CONFERENCE FOR SENIOR ADULTS

with guest speaker

Trish Wilson

Executive Director



Monday & Tuesday, May 5 & 6
Bible Study & Music 10 AM-Noon in the Café
Lunch & Games from 12-3 PM
\$5 Lunch Each Day; Reservation Required
(Call the church office to sign-up)

TBC Women's Ministry is Hosting

JOURNAL CRAFTING

with Trish Wilson

Saturday, June 7th,
2 sessions: 10-noon & 1-3 PM; \$35
Limited to 15 per session; in the Chapel



Call the church office to sign up
or scan the QR Code



TBC Women's Ministry Collection
Benefiting the

Pregnancy Resource Center

Sunday, May 4, 8:30 AM - Noon



Please support this worthy cause with:

- Monetary Donations
 - Gift Cards
 - Prayer
 - Baby & Personal Items
- (list available in office)

Save the Date!



FAMILY FISHING DAY

SPONSORED BY TBC MEN'S MINISTRY

Saturday, June 7th
8 AM-2 PM
Watch for Details

Jubilee Class by Eva Euler

Jubilee Bible Study Class is a class full of prayer warriors. We have a large network of communication with current and former members.

Laughter is a key ingredient in our time spent together on Sunday mornings, as well as in our luncheon fellowships for Valentine's Day, for birthdays, and perhaps for no reason at all! We do have an annual Christmas Dinner, sometimes inviting another class to join with us.

Our Bible studies are currently led by JD Templeton, our adult minister. We read scripture and discuss what we read. These next few weeks we are in a study of Nehemiah with the rebuilding of Jerusalem, with Ezra's and Nehemiah's victories and failures in dealing with the rebuilding, and the people of Judah.

We welcome visitors and new members!



"Create in me a clean heart, O God." Psalm 51:10

Month in Review - April



New Deacon Reception



Genesis 1 at Inks Lake State Park



Disciple Kids teaching Disciple Kids Jr. about Friendship

Upcoming Events



June 2 Prime Time Game Day-12 Noon
June 7 Family Fishing Day-8:00am
June 7 Women's Min. Journal Crafting-10am
June 9-12 Vacation Bible School-9:00
June 15 Church Council via email
June 15 Father's Day
June 20-27 DR Mission Trip
June 21 Men's Prayer B'fast-7:00
June 22 Deacon's Meeting-3:00
June 22 Member Meeting-4:00
June 30-July1 Mini Kids Camp-8:00am



July 1 Mini Kids Camp-8:00am
July 4 Neighborhood Bike Parade-9:00
July 4 OFFICES CLOSED
July 7 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon
July 7-11 Horizon Youth Camp
July 20 Church Council-4:00
July 21-24 Pre-Teen Camp
July 26 Men's Ministry River Clean-up-8:00
July 27 Family Gath/Member Mtg-4:00

Sundays:

Worship 8:30, 9:45, 11:00
Bible Study-Adults 9:45
Adults/Youth/Children 11:00
Library Open 12:00

K'ville West Home Group 5:30
Lois Home Group 5:30

Mondays:

Pickleball 10:00
Flower Ministry 10:30
Noon Basketball 12:00
Eagle's Wings Life Group 6:00

Tuesdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-9:00
Prime Time Singers-10:00
8:30 Praise Team Rhrl-6:00

Wednesdays:

Pickleball Noon
Handbell Rehearsal 4:30
Fellowship Meal 5:00
Library Open 5:15
Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00
TSM Wednesdays-6:00
Disciple Kids 6:00
Worship Choir R'hrsl-7:00

Thursdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-9:00
Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 (1st Thurs.)
TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00

Fridays:

Community Prayer Time-7:00am



May 1 National Day of Prayer
May 4 Women's Ministry Collection-8:30-12
May 4 Youth Baked Potato Fundraiser-11am
May 4 New Member Reception-4:00
May 5 & 6 Encore! Senior Adult Days
May 11 Mother's Day
May 13 CDO Graduation-1:00
May 18 Graduate Recognition
May 18 Church Council-4:00
May 25 Member Meeting-4:00
May 26 Church Offices & Bldgs Closed
May 31 Deacon Retreat-8:00am

Calendar Events & Ongoing Activities